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SPECIES

The mode of indicating how to require restriction between species is set forth in MPEP §809.02(a).

As pointed out in <u>Ex parte Ljungstrom</u>, 1905 C.D. 541, 119 O.G. 2335 (Comm'r Pat. 1905), the particular limitations in the claims and the reasons why such limitations are considered to restrict the claims to a particular disclosed species should be mentioned if necessary to make the requirement clear.

In view of the foregoing, more information is needed on what the Examiner considers the separate species in order for Applicant to properly respond to the election requirement. In addition, Applicant would argue that claim 77 is generic to species 5 and 6, such that upon allowance of claim 77, rejoinder of claims 83-90 will be requested. In this regard, claims 77-82 and claims 83-90 are directed to a test method using a probe card configured as shown in Figure 7B, with spring loaded electrical connectors 42 for applying a biasing force and test signals.

Favorable consideration and allowance of claims 44-90 is respectfully requested. An IDS is being filed concurrently with this Response. Should any issues arise that will advance this case to allowance, the Examiner is asked to contact the undersigned by telephone.

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